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- a. Headquarters' files are negative and
- b. The ESMAN-ERIKSSON
- c. Otto von BISMARCK/SCHEIDER
- d. ANDREAS SCHNEIDER SEE RECENT
- e. ARTHUR WEILHARDT
- f. Robert SCHWEITZER

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There are indications and references to the name Walter SCHMITT whom of which contain sufficient data to allow for a selection process. Attempts to locate listings of German diplomatic personnel in the Soviet Union prior to WW II proved futile. If Munich can provide further identifying information on SCHMITT, perhaps available through the FBI, we will gladly take another stab at SCHMITT. Positive traces on the other individuals listed in paragraph 5 c of reference are set forth in the following paragraphs.

2. Otto BISMARCK

a. According to the German Press, BISMARCK was employed in November 1943 in the intelligence department of the German Consulate, Geneva. He recruited as an agent in 1943 or 1944 a Colombian employee of the I.L.O. at Geneva, in which he was himself at one time employed.

b. Information dated 1944 revealed that the Colombian employee was Robert LANGE who was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment as a German spy in the United States courts in November 1945. In the same report it was stated that Subject was for many years a left wing liberal and not a member of the Nazi Party and that he served from the I.L.O. to the intelligence department of the German Consulate in Geneva in 1940.

c. BISMARCK is mentioned in correspondence concerned with individuals connected with the clandestine radio espionage group known as "Bote Frei" which functioned in Switzerland until 1943-44. An FBI report, dated 22 April 1948, states that BISMARCK, who was known to the group ("Bote Frei") in Geneva, was a Nazi who was disliked by most of them. He was also the supervisor of Rudolf WIESENWALD (one of the group) in I.L.O., Biskel having been employed as a temporary stenographer. Upon the advent of the German invasion in France, the report continues, BISMARCK returned to Germany and was later assigned to Paris where he took over the Paris offices of the I.L.O. for Germany. An FBI report of 1 June 1948 contains the results of an interview with a couple who had been connected with the I.L.O. in Geneva. According to the couple, they knew a party by the name of HUGO (WEIKER) who was known for his leftist thinking but whom they were unable to classify as an outright Communist. They stated that WEIKER was a friend of Otto BISMARCK whom they knew as a Social Democrat in Geneva and who later became an outright Nazi. They also stated they recalled that BISMARCK married a Miss WEIKER, daughter of a former Minister of Labor in the Socialist Democratic Party before Hitler.

d. Cited information - circa 1945 - Otto BISMARCK of 7 Rue de la Princesse, Paris, was Director for French Center of German Economic Organization.

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c. State Deputy in the People's election front in May 1948. From 1933 to 1940 BACH worked as a member of the Secretariat of the International Labor Office in Geneva. At some time during this period, he served as a member of the executive committee of the German Chamber of Commerce in Paris. BACH is currently a town councilor, and chairman of the economic-political section of the DDP. He is also acting president of the Institute for Economic Research and a Director of the Elektrowerke A. G.

d. Currently we are in the process of consolidating the many references to BACH into one file. We will advise you should any additional material come to our attention which might have a bearing on GARTINA.

3. Albert BAER (born 31 August 1921) Address: Eintrachterstrasse/Oldenburg, former PW in the U.S.S.R.

a. Albert BAER, born 31 August 1921, a student who had been held in a forced labor camp in the Soviet Union, was released by amnesty in October 1955. Source is a listing of professors and students who were arrested and sentenced within the Soviet zone of Germany after 1954 for political reasons.

b. Albert BAER appears on a list of persons formerly connected with USWING who had recently returned to West Berlin from imprisonment in the Soviet Union. (OKIA 16776, 25 November 1955).

4. Boris Waldmersonbach BJØRNELUND (born 21 September 1893 in Petersburg, Russia) officer in the Finnish Army during WW II, former Soviet prisoner of war, presently residing in Helsinki.

a. "Businessman Boris BJØRNELUND, a 1955 returnee from the U.S.S.R., visited West Germany and England this year. The trip may have taken place on instructions from Soviet Secretary of the Embassy SHIRSKIN since BJØRNELUND reported on the trip to him. BJØRNELUND gave a detailed account of the trip to SHIRSKIN. He had visited Frankfurt on Main among other places, contacted American officers there, two of whose names were Pick or Peck and Stevenson or at least sounded like that. In his report, B described the offices, the conversations, apartments, places he visited, addresses, etc. For the present we have no details on B's trip to England." (OKIA 2034, 26 October 1956, Official Finnish Source).

b. Boris BJØRNELUND, decorator, born 21 September 1893, address: Rucholsdudent 6, has been interrogated by KUBAKI. He was formerly imprisoned in the U.S.S.R. (OKIA 2103, 30 November 1956)

c. One Paul Milo PAULOV disclosed to his cell-mate Enric Viejo HUOVILAN that he had been at the Vorouga (also given as Vorguda) prison camp and that in this camp was a Major Boris BJØRNELUND from Helsinki, who had been an intelligence officer in the Finnish Army during the War. (WPA 73, 21 October 1952)

5. Ernst Boris CHAIN The co-discoverer of penicillin mentioned by GARTINA is Professor Ernest Boris CHAIN, born 19 June 1906 in Berlin, who went to England in 1933 as a refugee from Nazi Germany and who is presently residing in Rome, Italy.

e. A letter from the Office of the Military Attaché, British Embassy, Rome, dated 22 September 1955, to the United States Army Attaché, American Embassy Rome, warned that CHAIN is considered a bad security risk and should not have access to classified material. The letter continued that CHAIN was evidently disappointed that his work on the discovery of penicillin netted him so little financial gain and was ready to reap some profits from any source willing to pay the highest price. In April 1948 he made an agreement with members of the Soviet Trade Delegation in England whereby he contracted to prepare for them a paper on penicillin production and methods of control.

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CHAIK believed that a safety panel plan could be constructed on the basis of his paper. He also asked to name person appointed by the Soviets concerning the protection of personnel and agreed to give technical facilities for copying documents relevant to personnel procedure. Under the terms of the agreement with the Soviets, CHAIK provided them with data in his personal files which had been declassified as a result of the research done under a mutual agreement between the United States and Britain during W.W.II. Documents which were relevant to the Soviet personnel project were microfilmed with only the Soviet Trade Delegation with no authorization of CHAIK. It is not believed that the documents contained therein is treason.

b. CHAIK was issued a United States visa because of his active participation in efforts of the German embassies to evade United States export control laws for the purpose of producing for the U.S.S.R. biological products equipment which it was believed the U.S.S.R. required for the manufacture of biological warfare materials. (State Department Circular 100, Paris, 1951, 7, 57)

6. Alfred JAHN. One Alfred JAHN was listed as a Criminal Inspector of the RFTB as of May 1943 and was said to have been formerly attached to the Counterintelligence in Berlin, Holland. DOW 27 May 57

7. Arrest in SPAIN

"SOMERACE advised that a German national repatriated with a group of prisoners of war under the Moscow-Bulgarian agreement has reported the case of a Polish national, who he claims to have been in prison in the USSR. This Pole is named Arkady (Abraham) KALINSKY, born in Warsaw of Jewish parents, about 42 years of age. KALINSKY was apparently arrested in Moscow in May 1944 and has spent the rest of his time in 'political犯' or prisons'. CWDH are interested in KALINSKY and also in verifying certain statements made by the above-named German repatriate.

"SOMERACE adds that, according to the German repatriate's story, KALINSKY joined the Anders Army in Moscow in 1942 and became the representative of the Anders Committee in Tashkent. There he married the Soviet film star ZLATOUSHKAYA. After his arrest, he was told by his captors that his wife had divorced him and had married an American diplomat with whom she had left for America. KALINSKY is reported to be skeptical about this story.

"CWDH request KURAKIN'S assistance in checking the story about the film star and the American diplomat. They would also appreciate any information which Headquarters can provide on KALINSKY and any earlier record Headquarters may have on him. (DOW 13649, 21 Feb. 1956)

8. Karl Heinz MEIGEN

a. On 20 July 1956, Karl Heinz MEIGEN, born 23 February 1927 in Mülheim/Ruhr, presently residing (as of 20 July 56) at 12 Ruhrorter str., Mülheim/Ruhr, Germany, advised that he was arrested by Soviet authorities in Berlin on 6/29/56, charged with being an espionage agent for a Western power and sent to Lublinjenska (prisoner) prison in Moscow. He was held at that prison for one year when he was transferred to the Vokulka mining complex, corrective labor camp north of Moscow. He remained there until November 1955 when he was returned to Germany. (DOS 75536, 8 January 57 and DOS 75514, 7 January 57).

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11. Karl Heinz MEYER, born 23 February 1907 in Badbergen/Fuhr, arrested in Berlin 1945 by SEDERHORN, appears on a list of released from the U.S.A. as (KOM 107-9, 17 May 1957).

12. Karl Heinz MEYER, born 23 February 1907 in Badbergen/Fuhr, appears on a list of released in Berlin as of 1 December 1955. (KOM 107-9, 17 November 1957).

13. MEYER was charged, in West Germany, with treason on the basis of accusations made by Paul GILDEMEISTER that MEYER was in the employ of the KGB. The charges were dropped for lack of evidence and when it became known that SEDERHORN had reported falsely on MEYER, (SG 107-9, report 6-26 June 1958 - ECPA 28438, 24 July 1958).

9. Charlotte JUREK -

Charlotte JUREK, born 26 October 1911 as mentioned in statement 3 to ECPA 9700, 23 March 1956, which is not available at Headquarters.

10. Helmut WOELKE -

WOELKE, born 1 December 1955 requested traces on Charlotte BURKHARD nee WALKER, born 17 May 1890 in Nordhausen, a language teacher who now lives in West Berlin. BURKHARD claims to have been arrested in March 1947 at Siedlungsraum when she was working as a cook and nurse in the home of Lt. Col. Saltikov. BURKHARD says that Margaret JUREK of WESTRA asked her for a list of all GPU officers and keys to GPU Headquarters. When BURKHARD refused, JUREK told the commandantura office that BURKHARD sent her for the keys and both were arrested. JUREK, who allegedly worked for a U. S. agency on Kaulbachstr., Berlin, was repatriated in October 1955 and now lives with Helmuth WOELKE in Hamburg.

11. In reference to paragraph 7 b, Maxine THOREL suffered a cerebral hemorrhage with resultant paralysis of the right side on 17 October 1950. He was flown to the Soviet Union in a Russian plane on 11 November 1950 and he returned from the Soviet Union in April 1953.

12. An attempt to find the data on Soviet labor camps requested in paragraph 5 is discontinued that this information is not readily available in ECPA records. In view of the fact that we have been able to furnish the field with much of the information requested in reference dispatch, we are not planning to pursue the matter further unless requested to do so.

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